



SAN DIEGO COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN Planning Group Meeting #1: Monday, June 23, 2003, 1:00 PM

Meeting Summary

Herman Reddick (HR) gave an introduction that discussed the working group goals and introduced David Marx (DM).

DM thanked HR and group for their participation and introduced the rest of the URS hazard mitigation team: Diane L Douglas (DLD) as Assistant PM, Brian Sands as Assistant PM for Maricopa County Hazard Mitigation Plan, and Chris Barkley from the Oakland office as FEMA mitigation expert.

DM gave a PowerPoint™ presentation discussing the goals of the San Diego County Multi-Jurisdiction Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (Plan), the objectives of DMA 2000, the hazard mitigation planning process and the steps involved in developing the Plan achieving the goals. The presentation included a discussion of the methodology that will be used to develop the Plan for San Diego County.

The presentation also entailed a review of GIS as a tool for identifying and mapping known hazards in SD County, and discussed the need for the working group to network with other people in their city as well as academics and other professionals who might have specialized knowledge on hazards in SD County and the incorporated cities. The presentation reviewed some potential mitigation measures—changing ordinances, building codes, structural retrofits, putting in flood protection/levees, barricades in front of buildings prone to terrorist attacks, etc. DM also discussed the roles of the working group emphasizing the importance of having members from a range of disciplines (e.g. planning, public works, general services, etc.) and the importance of them networking with other professionals in their cities.

A hazard risk identification exercise was conducted to familiarize the Work Group with the approach and concepts that will be utilized in the risk identification phase of the plan development.

The schedule of work group meeting was discussed. The work group will meet every 3 weeks and Monday afternoon was the time preferred by the majority of attendees. The preliminary meeting dates scheduled through December are:

7/14/03	10/6/03
8/4/03	10/27/03
8/25/03	11/17/03
9/15/03	12/8/03

Additional meetings may be scheduled as needed to for the project.



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Action Items

URS indicated that a preliminary identification of risks would be developed and presented to the Work Group at the next meeting. It is envisioned that a number of GIS displays will be presented.

The following three action items were requested of the Work Group members:

1. Each Work Group member was requested to identify a jurisdiction-level Local Mitigation Planning Team. Members might include: decision-makers from police, fire, emergency services, community development/planning, public works, transportation, economic development, public works and emergency response/services personnel within their City. The jurisdiction-level Local Mitigation Planning Team will assist in identifying the specific hazards/risks that are of concern to each City and to prioritize hazard mitigation measures. The member of the Work Group would bring this information to future Work Group meetings. Each City should convene these jurisdiction-level Local Mitigation Planning Teams as soon as possible in order to provide City-specific input to the multi-jurisdictional planning effort and to assure that all aspects of each City's concerns are addressed. In the absence of input from an individual City, the Plan to be developed will utilize a consensus from the Work Group for risk and mitigation priorities for that City.
2. Work Group members were asked to identify potential meeting rooms in their City that could be used for a future Work Group/Public meet in their area.
3. Compile a preliminary list of major disaster/hazard events that have occurred in each jurisdiction in the recent past (at least 25 years, and longer if this information is available). The list should include at a minimum what the event was, when it happened and whether a state-of-emergency was declared (state or federal). If information is available regarding the level of response, costs to respond, and cost of damage caused by the event.